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Today is the fifth anniversary of the "7 November" Polytechnic Institute, the country's first and most important intermediate specialized school. Every year, the institute graduates dozens of specialists, who have shown ability and initiative on the labor front and in the fight against poor living conditions.

The "7 November" Polytechnic Institute was founded on the basis of Soviet experience. Textbooks used in this institution are like those used in similar institutions in the USSR. The party and the people's authorities have given special attention to the needs of this institution. They have endowed it with scientific laboratories and workshops and equipped these with modern implements and instruments imported from the USSR. In this institution sons of workers learn how to apply what they study in books.

The students and teachers have responded with enthusiasm to the special attention given by party and governmental authorities to this school. In the past 5 years this institution has graduated over 300 students, who have proved by their work record that they are equal to the tasks placed before them and worthy of the three orders of work awarded them by the Presidium of the People's Assembly.

Graduate intermediate production technicians participate in the pool of intermediate production technicians. This pool is a major force contributing to the success of economic development. Intermediate technicians are the men who direct work and production on the spot, side by side with the workers. These men show the masses of workers different techniques and teach them how to operate machinery. By their good work they lead the workers toward maximum production, which is necessary for successful plan fulfillment.

For this reason, each year the party devotes greater interest to the needs of the cadres of specialists. Proof of this interest is the work achieved in raising the standards of the professional schools, such as the special schools for finance, agriculture, commerce, and oil mining, and other one - to two-term schools of industry which graduate hundreds of students after training them in methods of production. In addition, hundreds of other courses have been opened and hundreds of students have been trained while holding jobs.

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Intermediate specialized schools and other schools providing professional courses are connected with the nation's economic development and with the tasks of laying the foundations of socialism. Thousands of specialists will be trained to work toward the fulfillment of the first Five-Year Plan. During the next 5 years the "7 November" Polytechnic Institute alone will turn out 3,000 new specialists to join the pool of specialists.

The construction program of the Five-Year Plan and the development of technology and industry call for thousands of intermediate specialists in industry and technology.

The important task of the state agencies, such as the agencies of education, party organizations of youth and professional workers, is to orient and instruct the youth attending technical schools and courses so that they will be able to contribute to the construction of Albania's economy. Special attention must be given to insuring that young women enroll in these courses. Their number so far has been small. Party organizations must combat certain attitudes of economic directors, who hesitate to admit young women to the technical sectors and to place them in responsible positions. Young women must be accepted in the schools and the professional courses to prepare for their future participation in various cadres.

The youth of both sexes, upon graduation from specialist schools and courses, immediately join the ranks of workers who work and fight in the front lines for peace. Here, they need the support and help of the older and more experienced comrades, and of enterprise leaders. Economic directors must show greater interest in the new cadres of specialists. Their task is to assign young technicians immediately to jobs in production; these technicians must be distributed wisely and an interest must be taken in their work. They must be encouraged and placed in responsible jobs. Some directors of economic enterprises are reluctant to place young specialists in responsible jobs. Party organizations must fight the tendency to underestimate the new cadres of specialists. The party and Enver Hoxha recommend that the new intermediate technicians be installed in active positions. These graduates have proved that they are equal to their tasks.

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